

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2014-0063**

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS
TO CONTINUE AND ENHANCE THE GROUNDWATER AMBIENT MONITORING AND
ASSESSMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS:

1. The Groundwater Quality Monitoring Act of 2001 (Water Code section 10780 et seq.) required the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to develop a statewide comprehensive groundwater quality monitoring program as part of its Groundwater Ambient Monitoring and Assessment (GAMA) Program.
2. Expenditure authority for GAMA Program contracts included in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 budget totals \$3,102,690 from the Waste Discharge Permit Fund. This total includes funding based the emergency drought relief legislation signed by the Governor on March 1, 2014, and the Budget Act of 2014.
3. The GAMA Program proposes to use these funds to continue and enhance the GAMA Program by: (1) supporting the Priority Basin Project to provide a comprehensive assessment of groundwater quality in drinking water aquifers, (2) coordinating with Regional Water Boards to identify and perform essential special groundwater quality projects, and (3) working with agencies and stakeholder entities to make more groundwater information available to the public. The State Water Board implements GAMA Program projects through collaboration with the U.S. Geological Survey and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in contract agreements, as well as contracts for GeoTracker GAMA information system maintenance and enhancement, and domestic well laboratory analyses.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director or designee to enter into contracts and any amendments thereto, not to exceed \$3,102,690 to continue and enhance the GAMA Program.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Clerk to the Board does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on November 4, 2014.

AYE: Chair Felicia Marcus
Board Member Steven Moore
Board Member Dorene D'Adamo

NAY: None

ABSENT: Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber
Board Member Tam M. Doduc

ABSTAIN: None



Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board